

Remarks

Claims 1 through 31 are currently pending. The Examiner has required that the present application be restricted to one of the following inventions:

- I. Claims 1-24, drawn to a juice beverage, classified in class 426, subclass 599
- II. Claims 25-31, drawn to a process of making a juice beverage, classified in class 426, subclass 407

Applicant wishes to elect invention group I, i.e. Claims 1 through 24, in order to expedite the prosecution of this application.

Applicant also wishes to cancel without prejudice Claims 25 through 31. Applicant reserves the right to prosecute the non-elected claims in a future patent application.

Thus, in view of the foregoing arguments, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the present application. If a telephone interview would be of assistance in advancing the prosecution of this application, Applicants' undersigned attorney invites the Examiner to telephone him at the number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,



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